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**Campus row** Protest at Jnanabharathi against engineer calling students/staff 'miscreants'

**Weather fallout** Vegetable prices soar across markets after heavy downpours

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## Senior citizens without mobile phones to click pictures of their flooded homes, geotag and apply for relief, at mercy of officials who never arrive

# UNCHARTED WATERS

### Applications need to be uploaded within 5 days of disaster

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RAFT WORK: A woman with a makeshift raft venturing out as rains take a break

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The rain fury could not have come at a worse time for Ramanamma*, (not pictured above), a 75-year-old resident of Bakshi Garden slum in KR Market ward.

Living alone for the past few days, Ramanamma has to battle it all alone. Her house gets flooded every day due to the ongoing incessant rainfall. That's not all. The senior citizen has a new struggle looming now. Ramanamma has no cell phone at her disposal to click a picture of her flooded house, geotag it, gather all the documents and apply for the emergency relief fund.

"Some neighbours have been helping me in draining the flood water from inside the house.

The house has sustained some damage; I am banking on the emergency relief fund for repair work. However, I do not have geo-tagged pictures of the flooded home to apply," said the septuagenarian.

> **We will visit these areas today, make sure applications are uploaded in the system within stipulated time...**
> —Official, BBMP

There are many citizens like Ramanamma who are facing difficulties in filing applications for emergency relief funds.

Clicking pictures of flooded homes, gathering documents required and submitting applications at BBMP offices are turning out to be additional pain for many.

According to representatives of civil society organisations working with slum dwellers in the city, the assistant executive engineers and revenue officers of respective wards must visit the affected areas and click GPS-tagged pictures to file applications for the relief fund

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## State of Shock

### Doopanahalli residents fear electrocution due to what they call substandard work

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After multiple accidents involving electrocution, the Bangalore Electricity Supply Company has decided to change transformer fixtures across the city — from multi-pole structures to a special design 'facilitating more pedestrian space' around the whole set up.

But according to a few residents of Indiranagar, 'the shoddy work' by BESCOM during a recent transformer change has left them running the risk of getting electrocuted.

With recurring rains and subsequent flooding in the city, residents of 1st Cross Road, HAL 2nd Stage, Doopanahalli, are living in constant fear of getting electrocuted due to what they said was the substandard work of BESCOM officials while replacing the transformer structure in question.

According to the residents, officials soon left the scene after replacing the pole, with wires sticking out

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## 3 THINGS TO DO

### 01 Remembering KK

One of India's most beloved singers gone too soon, KK's melodies are timeless. As a tribute to this evergreen musician, Alive India in Concert is presenting a special performance by some of the nation's best musicians: Kunal Ganjawala, Zubeen Garg, Nakul and Tamara Krishna, Lyricist Mehboob, Supratiek Shyamal Ghosh and others. Be there for an unforgettable night.

**Where: Bhartiya Mall**
**When: Sep 10, gate opens 5 pm**
**Info: @AliveIndianConcert & Bhartiya Mall of Bengaluru Facebook/Instagram handles**

### 02 Lit fest

Young literary enthusiasts in the city are in for a treat as the annual Neev Literature festival is all set to make a physical comeback. The theme for this year's festival 'Reading takes you places', focuses on the power of books to set one free to experience new places, of this world, in their imagination, and explore various cultural perspectives. The event sets a platform for the reading enthusiasts to interact and engage with distinguished authors such as Roopa Pai, Anushka Ravishankar, Paro Anand, Jane De Suza, Samina Mishra, Venita Coelho, Shabnam Minwalla, Sandhya Rao, Bijal Vaccharajani, Arundhati Venkatesh, and Menaka Raman.

**Where: Neev Academy Campus, Yemalur**
**When: Sep 24 - 25**

### 03 Geo-economics 101

Author and economist Dr Sanjaya Baru, former editor of leading financial newspapers, and media advisor to Prime Minister Dr Manmohan Singh, will feature in the Azim Premji University public lecture series event to be held on September 10. Dr Baru, Distinguished Fellow at United Service Institution of India and former Director for Geo-economics and Strategy, International Institute of Strategic Studies, London, will speak on "India and the world today: Geopolitical and economic challenges." The lecture series aims at building awareness and encouraging discourse on contemporary issues and matters of public interest.

**Where: Mother Tekla Auditorium, Brunton Road**
**When: September 10, 4.30-6.00 PM**

# BU students, staff protest against 'miscreant' slur

## BBMP Executive Engineer (Road Infrastructure) in letter calls those objecting to temple construction on university's premises miscreants

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Students, teaching and non-teaching staff stage protest demanding suspension of the engineer

Hundreds of Bangalore University (BU) students and teaching as well as non-teaching staff gathered on Jnanabharathi campus and staged a protest on Thursday demanding the suspension of the BBMP Executive Engineer for describing them as miscreants in the backdrop of a temple row that led to the executive engineer describing those creating hurdles for the construction of a temple as miscreants.

The BBMP Executive Engineer (Road Infrastructure) wrote a letter on September 6 to Jnanabharathi Police Station seeking protection to recommence the construction of the temple. The Executive Engineer said in the letter that some miscreants stopped the work recently and police protection was required to recommence the temple construction work on September 10.

The students and teaching staff are objecting to the words used to describe them. "There is no need for another temple here as there are many temples on Jnanabharathi campus.

"We objected to the construction of the temple on Wednesday. We came to know about him describing us as miscreants on Wednesday evening. We held a meeting and made a decision to seek his suspension for being irresponsible," said Chandru Periyar, president of Bangalore University PG & PHD Students' Association.

Shivappa P, president of Bangalore University Non-Teaching Staff Association, said that BBMP Executive Engineer should not use such words. "It is they who entered Jnanabharathi Campus illegally and created nuisance here. We have participated in the protest demanding a stringent action against the BBMP Executive Engineer and stop the construction work immediately."

Bangalore University Teachers' Council president Muralidhara BL also condemned the language used. "He should be suspended. Our Vice Chancellor has asked us to write a letter to the BBMP Chief Commissioner seeking a suitable action against him," Muralidhara said.

A few social activists wrote a letter to Bangalore University Vice-Chancellor demanding him to stop the ongoing construction work on Jnanabharathi Campus. The activists said that Jnanabharathi Campus needed more libraries than construction of temples. "We may approach the court if the construction of the temple is not stopped," the activists said in the letter.

Meanwhile, the BBMP Executive Engineer (Road Infrastructure) said that he did not mean to defame or embarrass teaching staff and students of Bangalore University.

> **"We are constructing the temple as per the government order**
> – BBMP Executive Engineer (Road Infrastructure)

"We are constructing the temple as per the government order. The construction is to relocate a temple that is set to be demolished to make a way for the construction of grade separator near the Jnanabharathi Campus. Previous Vice-Chancellor not only gave permission but also offered prayers to commence the construction work a few months ago," he said.

# Feeling weary? Go down the mindful track

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In an attempt to take Bengalureans on a journey of mindfulness and healing, the Shreans Daga Foundation has launched a 28-day free live online mega master course called 'Manifestation Decoded' or inculcating mindfulness and meditation as a part of life.

Through careful curation of age-old philosophies, contemporary techniques, and an inherently scientific approach, this course is the missing puzzle to all the talk about manifestation, mindfulness and meditation in the world today. Conducted in English and Hindi, the course is ongoing from September 3.

Put together by the sibling duo Shreans and Varun Daga, the course aims at providing participants with a once-in-a-lifetime experience in the two hours that they dedicate to the course for 28 days. Each topic is in-depth,

Shreans Daga and Varun Daga want citizens to embrace their spiritual self

scientifically supported, and handpicked to bring together the best knowledge from various global spiritual masters and scientists.

"People lead hectic lives, with a plethora of activities to keep them busy or, at the very least, 'distracted.' What they struggle to find is the joy in the busyness, the calm in the chaos and the fun in the distractions. This generation may be the busiest, the most connected but is also the loneliest," said Shreans who is also the Chairman of Pyramid Valley International - located on the outskirts of Bengaluru.

Participants are encouraged to ask questions and share their experiences with the community following each session. This gives each member a sense of belonging and camaraderie, which is unique to a meditation program which is usually seen as a solo activity, Varun also added. Apart from helping people in overcoming mental health concerns, the course will also teach participants how to develop more meaningful relationships, increase their productivity at work, develop a resilient attitude, and live in joy regardless of external circumstances.

***Link to join the course: events.shreansdaga.org***

# Heavy rains hike veggie prices

## Tomato, earlier priced at Rs 20/kg, is now being sold for Rs 40 in many areas

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Incessant rain in Bengaluru and various other parts of the state has pushed up the prices of vegetables in markets across the city.

Retail prices of many vegetables have doubled over the last three to four days, touching Rs 100 in certain cases. Tomato, earlier priced at Rs 20, is now being sold and bought for Rs 40 per kg. Potatoes have also become dearer and are costing Rs 45 per kg. Ooty carrot is being sold at Rs 120 per kg, green beans at Rs 70 per kg, and onions at Rs 35 per kg.

Traders say the vegetables have become pricier due to a shortfall in supply.

"Prices of most of the vegetables have gone up over the last week due to the downpour. We are not getting fresh stock from the big mandis. Many of the smaller markets that were supplying us with the veggies have shut down temporarily due to lack of supply," said Mohan, a vegetable vendor.

Apart from regular vegetables, the prices of green leaves are also going through the roof. Green leafy produce has reportedly suffered the most due to the downpour.

"Most of the green leaves have become costly. We were selling one coriander leaf bundle for Rs 20 a week back. Now, the same bundle costs Rs 40. We are left with no other option but to hike the cost for our customers as well," added Mohan.

Prices going up, up, up: Tomatoes, potatoes, onions are all costly now

> **We are not getting stock from the big markets. Many of the smaller markets have shut temporarily**
>
> –Mohan, a vegetable vendor

Harish M, another vegetable vendor in the Devanahalli area, said the supply of many vegetables, including tomatoes, from nearby districts has been impacted due to the rain. Surplus rain in the tomato-growing region in Karnataka has skyrocketed its price.

"Excess rain has impacted the arrival of vegetables in mandis. Soon there will be a shortage of veggies in the city if the rain continues. For instance, tomatoes come to Bengaluru from Kolar, which is also experiencing high rainfall. It has become costly in Kolar markets as well. While one kg of tomato was priced at Rs 15-20 a week back, it went up to Rs 40 on Wednesday. By Thursday morning, some vendors had started asking Rs 55-60," said Harish.

A vegetable vendor in Yelahanka said that they were expecting most vegetable prices to touch the 100-mark, especially with the festival season approaching.

# Life in the Bay of Bengaluru

## As some localities go back to normal, others remain flooded; on ORR, some have taken to fishing

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While waterlogging woes may have reduced for residents in many neighbourhoods of Bengaluru, some localities like Rainbow Drive have had no respite yet. The residents say that this is the situation almost since August 29 except for a few days in between.

A resident told BM, "The flood situation continues here and many residents are still suffering. The entry point is still not motorable and hence we have created an alternate exit at the back for emergencies. With light rainfall continuing, residents were having a tough time walking around the slush. However, in those areas where the water had completely receded, there was the problem of dust with vehicles passing by."

### Go fish

Have you heard of ORR fishing? For the last few days, the Outer Ring Road (ORR) in front of Ecospace has literally turned into a lake and many caught huge fish. Locals said that many were also heading near the places where Bellandur lake was overflowing to catch fish.

### Students stuck

At the Government Lower Primary Urdu school in Bellandur, the premises have turned into a slush field. The desks and benches are soaked and many drawings were washed away. The teachers said that the students were temporarily put up at a nearby mosque where classes are being held.

### Slush bank

After days of being closed, the staff of a public sector bank located inside Rainbow Drive was inspected by the staff members on Thursday. It was a dismal situation as the entire bank was still stinking. Though the water has receded, it will now take days for the staff to clean the premises as the floor had become dirty.

### Rains to continue

The Met Department has predicted widespread light to moderate rains with isolated places heavy rains likely over BBMP area for the next two days with maximum and minimum temperatures likely to be around 26 and 20 degree Celsius respectively.

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According to a recent automotive consumer study, there is a notable shift in automotive consumer trends impacting a rapidly evolving global mobility ecosystem. For the most part, people are drawn to an electric vehicle (EV) because of an expectation of lower fuel costs or concerns about climate change and to reduce emissions. The e-mobility trend has certainly piqued the interest of automotive companies who have realised that the future of mobility is electric. Vivek B Srivatsa, head of marketing (sales and service strategy) of the EV division of an automobile company, reasons why e-mobility is here to stay, "EVs will be a major transition that the auto industry will witness in this decade. This transition will be crucial to overcome the acute problem of pollution in the country, import dependence for fossil fuel and energy security."

## TOWARDS AN ELECTRIC FUTURE

EVs can provide various environmental and socio-economic benefits. Yatin Gupte, CMD of a leading auto manufacturing company in the EV segment, shares, "There has been an uptick in sales, with customers shifting towards EVs. Not only the youth but a majority of the population has developed a positive sentiment towards this segment." Besides this, Gupte feels that the push from the government through different schemes is providing an impetus for local players in this sector.

Let's look at some of the reasons that make a case for EVs.

## INDIA'S CLIMATE CHANGE COMMITMENTS

Under the UN Climate Change Conference in Glasgow (COP26), India has committed to becoming a net zero greenhouse gas emission country by 2070. Jeetender Sharma, founder and MD of a leading electric two-wheeler manufacturing company, says, "India has set a target of achieving 500 GW of its energy needs through renewable sources. For instance, in Delhi, vehicular pollution constitutes 40 per cent of the total pollution load. A shift to EVs will provide massive gains."

In fact, the elimination of tailpipe emissions has a direct effect on air quality. "Even when emissions from electricity generation are considered, the CO2 emissions from EVs are less than those from the cleanest petrol engines," informs Gupte.

Moreover, strict controls on carbon emissions are expected to be implemented in Indian states due to the growing threat posed by climate change. "Diesel and petrol-powered vehicles are a key source of the carbon and greenhouse gas emissions. EVs are thought to have zero emissions, which will reduce hazardous emissions substantially," informs Sushant Kumar, founder and managing director of a Noida-based electric two-wheeler manufacturer.

## VOLATILE FOSSIL FUEL MARKET

Rising fuel costs are another determining factor. "Given that the fuel prices are rising, it is easy to forecast that consumers will choose electric mobility over petrol and diesel-powered vehicles because these vehicles have lower operating and maintenance costs. For instance, an electric scooter or bike only costs 20 paisa per kilometre to operate compared to a bike powered by petrol, which costs Rs 3 to 6 per kilometre," says Kumar.

## TAX BENEFITS OF GOING ELECTRIC

Tax breaks are applicable on loans taken to purchase an EV. "EV owners can avail 40 per cent depreciation in the first year to save on income tax. The government has also introduced an EV policy under which anyone can avail additional benefits of up to Rs 1.5 lakh," says Gupte.

## INNOVATION IS DRIVING COST REDUCTION

New technologies and innovations can lower battery costs and boost mileage, making EVs more accessible to consumers. Says Kumar, "Savings is a major concern for Indian consumers, and as battery technology advances, an EV owner can save anywhere between Rs 3,000 to 5,000 per month (based on their average use)."

## GOVERNMENT SUBSIDIES AND POLICIES SUPPORT THIS TREND

EVs are at a nascent stage in India, so incentives and policies are major drivers of growth for the industry. While reflecting on the Union Budget 2022-23, Gupte says, "The proposed battery swapping policy will provide a mammoth push to EV adoption across the nation. The industry is looking forward to the government's ambitious vision of upgrading the EV infrastructure ecosystem and easing the supply chain through a multimodal logistics park which will augment the movement of goods and services. The recently announced EV policies in Odisha and Haryana will make the public aware about EVs, helping them overcome their anxieties around EVs."

# DRIVING IN A NEW VEHICLE FOR THE FESTIVE SEASON

SINCE A LOT OF ECONOMIC ACTIVITY REVOLVES AROUND FESTIVE OCCASIONS, ESPECIALLY GANESH CHATURTHI, CAR COMPANIES TEND TO OFFER THEIR BEST DEALS AROUND THIS TIME

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Ganesh Chaturthi is believed to be the beginning of the big festive season in India. Though the festival is celebrated in different parts of the country, Ganesh Chaturthi in Karnataka has its own unique charm. It is considered an auspicious occasion when many choose to buy vehicles as they believe that it will transform their lives for the better with the Vighnaharta's blessings. Since it's a big financial commitment and a significant upgrade in lifestyle, car owners prefer to leave nothing to chance. Many festive discounts and special offers start to rain on customers. In addition, if you shop for a new car around Ganesh Chaturthi, you won't have to deal with the mad rush around Diwali, when both prices and demand are at an annual high.

## FESTIVE HIGH

The past two years saw muted celebrations due to severe restrictions imposed by the covid-19 lockdown and supply chain challenges. But now the withdrawal of all restrictions has come as a big boost for all service providers for festivals and the gig economy at large. In the past 10 years, on an average, automakers in India have dispatched about a million cars and SUVs in the August to November period, accounting for about 35% of annual sales. August has a few important occasions that are celebrated by people across the country. With Independence Day and Ganesh Chaturthi being celebrated in a big way in India, banks and auto manufacturers have been introducing discounts and offers on various models of four-wheelers.

On the back of new launches and improved production, the auto industry expects car sales to be on the fast lane this festive season, and all are optimistic on the road ahead even after the festivities taper off. The festive season, which usually witnesses a spike in automobile sales, has already begun with Raksha Bandhan on August 11 and will be stretching up to Diwali on October 25. Although, erratic monsoon in some parts of the country and inflationary pressures are some of the challenges to watch out for in the days ahead.

## BUMPER SEASON LIKELY

It is expected to be a bumper festive season for the Indian passenger vehicle market. As per the industry estimates, about 1.3 million people are likely to drive home their dream cars during the August-November period accounting for the key festivities and generating a major turnover for the industry. That will be about 15 % higher than a year earlier, in 2021.

Nagesh P, sales manager of a reputed auto showroom shares, "Sales are looking pretty good, and it has gone up from the previous year. We are yet to roll out the puja schemes and bonanzas this year, but people have started coming even without the offers. We are expecting a bumper sale this year and most likely it is going to be a better show than the previous year with new models coming in."

Vivek Punj, a journalist, planning to buy a new car this Ganesh Chaturthi, says, "Since Ganesh Chaturthi coincides with the early mid-year of the vehicle model year, companies have enough time to scale up the production of new models and I don't have to wait to get a new car after booking it. My car will either be available at the dealer lot for immediate delivery or would already have been rolled out of the manufacturer's production line and waiting to be shipped to the dealer. I will not have to wait for months to lay my hands on my new car."

Despite the challenges of the global economic slowdown and concerns of inflation, fresh bookings are still robust, indicating the underlying strength of the Indian economy. In July, as improved availability of semiconductors allowed automakers to step up production, an estimated 342,000 vehicles had left factory gates, that too during what is usually seen as a lean month. While retail sales last month were much lower, as per vehicle registration data compiled by automobile dealers' federation, many of these vehicles are likely to be delivered to customers this month.

Bharath Reddy, sales executive of a reputed car company, says, "The business is doing great this time and we are rolling out a few changes in two of our most sought-after models before the puja. People can expect the newer versions in a day or two so just keep your eyes on our next announcement."

In the four months before July, retail registrations were higher than the vehicles dispatched. While there was a dip in July, both dispatches and retails are likely to match during the festive season, according to industry executives and experts.

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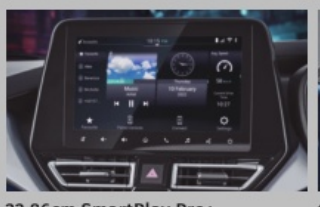

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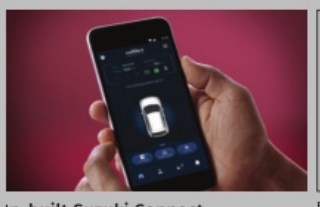

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# Chief Minister's 'master plan' to decongest city

## According to him, Bengaluru could soon see double and triple decker flyovers criss-crossing it; state-level body to regulate traffic will also be formed

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Traffic on the Outer Ring Road came to a standstill on Monday due to rain-induced flooding

The State Government is considering building double and triple decker flyovers to decongest Bengaluru. The proposal was mooted during a meeting with Union Transport Minister Nitin Gadkari on Thursday.

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai said that there were many plans in the pipeline to enhance the infrastructure of the city. There are plans to have multi-modal transport using a single pier. He said this latest technology would help many modes of transport besides reducing land acquisition and construction cost. For instance, currently, two sets of flyovers have been constructed on Tumakuru, Mysuru, Hosur, and airport roads running parallely (one for highways and one for the metro). A double decker flyover with metro and road is being constructed from Jayadeva Hospital junction to Central Silk Board. There are also proposals to construct double decker flyovers at a few other places.

### Traffic Master Plan Authority

The City's traffic woes refuse to cease, thanks to lack of coordination. Realising this, the state government has decided to constitute a Traffic Master Plan Authority which will be a one-point source to contact the union government as well as various local stakeholders. Bommai announced the news about the formation of a new authority on Thursday after meeting Gadkari.

"The new authority will be formed after passing a relevant bill in the next Assembly session. This authority will coordinate with National Highways Authority of India, BBMP, BDA, BMRDA, BWSSB, BMRCL, railways, PWD, and others. If we have a comprehensive master plan then most of the city's issues will be solved," he said.

The recent flooding of Bengaluru-Mysuru highway was also discussed in the meeting. The state requested the NHAI to construct drains all along the highway to prevent further flooding. Bommai also urged the Union Minister to fast-track the Bengaluru-Mysuru project. Earlier, the project was supposed to be thrown open by Dasara. Now, the entire project may not be completed by year-end although a certain section of by-passes is operational. The state also urged the centre to fast-track the Satellite Ring Road project. A portion of STRR passes via Tamil Nadu and the state requested for the project's length to be shortened.

### Chief Minister roots for 'native intelligence'

With the city facing flash floods, the Chief Minister has now called Bengalureans to give their suggestions as 'native intelligence' can play a very important role in providing micro solutions. "If you look at the past, there has been no flooding. There are hardly any instances of flooding of two major lakes - Ulsoor and Sankey. However, the growth of new Bengaluru saw many villages in the Mahadevapura zone turning into urban hotspots. There was a spurt in population as well as vehicles in the last decade. Now, we have taken the flash flood situation as a challenge and want to come up with a solution. Despite having plans at the macro level, we want people who are living with these problems to come up with ideas which we will implement. Hence, we will prioritise native intelligence," he said.

# Gadkari bats for white-topped roads

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White topping work taking place from K R Circle to freedom Park on Seshadri Road (File photo)

Union Transport Minister Nitin Gadkari suggests states to take up white-topping to ensure pothole-free, better maintained roads. The Minister called on the case of Bengaluru to cite its success. "Even well-built roads are enduring potholes within 2-3 years. This is more evident in areas with high rainfall. Initially, we decided to build roads with cement, but the costs were high. With a shift in technology, we are now putting cement concrete on top of bitumen roads that need maintenance every 2-3 years," he said.

He assured that white-topped roads will considerably reduce the maintenance costs incurred on roads. He added that almost 35 per cent of pollution in the country can be accounted for by the transport sector.

"Along with the Environment Ministry, we are looking at starting a Tree Bank to increase the green cover in the country," he informed. To incentivise states and districts, the first state or district to increase green cover will be awarded.

There has reportedly been an unprecedented rise in vehicles on the road too. The cost of travelling by road is said to be higher than railways or waterways.

"To encourage industries, we are in the process of connecting seaports with roads. India's logistics costs have reached 16 per cent, and reducing from 16 to 10 per cent will increase our exports by 1.5 times and will provide employment to countless people," said Gadkari.

Bengaluru has also been chosen for the MMLP project and is in its advanced stage.

The Multi-modal Logistics parks (MMLPs) will be built with a multi-modal transport integration. A separate division under NHAI named National Highways Logistics Management Limited (NHLML) will be tasked with the development of MMLPs. 35 MMLPs have been planned in phase at the capital cost of Rs 50,000 crore. The first two in Chennai and Nagpur are expected to be ready by 2024 end.

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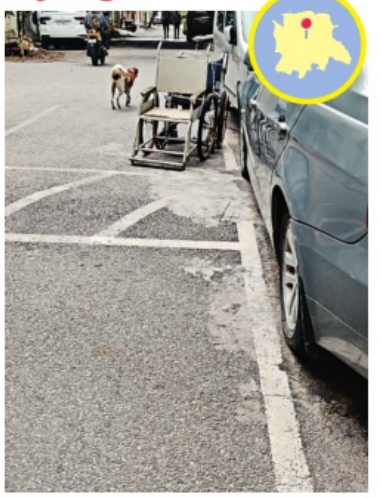

Sri Krishna Seva Hospital in Jayanagar always keeps wheelchairs on the narrow road, inconveniencing the public.

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# What would Gauri have said of latest events?

## Wonder sister Kavitha Lankesh and other speakers including Arundhati Roy at memorial event

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The Gauri Lankesh Memorial was held on September 5

It's been five years since journalist and activist Gauri Lankesh was shot dead outside her home in Raja Rajeshwari Nagar. But on Monday, at the Gauri Lankesh Memorial held at Scout and Guides Auditorium on the occasion of her fifth death anniversary, the indefatigable spirit of the slain journalist was alive as hundreds thronged the event.

Renowned author Arundhati Roy recalled her interactions with Gauri Lankesh. "Gauri was the kind of person who would call me up whenever any of my work was released, and ask 'Shall I translate it?'" Roy said. "She would call me whenever I wrote an article and we used to debate about the issues," she added.

Roy went on to say that she wished more of her work was translated into Kannada.

Eminent personalities like Gauri's sister and a popular screenwriter Kavita Lankesh, journalist D Umapathy, and actor and director Prakash Raj were also at the event.

Seeing the aisles of the auditorium packed with people, young and old, who had come to pay their tributes, sister Kavitha Lankesh said, "I am happy that so many people are gathered here who have been influenced by Gauri's ideology. I wonder what Gauri would have thought about the developments in the country such as the release of Bilkis Bano's rapists and her family's murderers."

All the speakers at the event talked about how Gauri would have been affected by the ongoing events in the country.

"The question we have to ask ourselves is, what is it that brought us to a situation where people who are oppressed, people who have no employment, people who are suffering deeply, are voting for further hellishness upon themselves? What has brought people to believe propaganda more than the reality of their experience every day in their own homes and their kitchens? Why is it that people who have been oppressed by the caste system for centuries vote for those very people who uphold that system?" Arundhati Roy further said at the event.

'Equality, justice, and beauty are the three words that India should stand for," said Roy.

Prakash remembered his friend saying that the killers of Gauri are in jail "but the mentality that killed her is ruling the country". "But there is also reason to hope if you look at the work and courage of people like Gauri. When we buried Gauri, we did not bury her but planted the seeds of her courage and activism," he said.

Teesta Setalvad, a journalist and activist, who recently got bail, said in a recorded message that she thought about her friend Gauri when she was in jail.

# Bulbul mention, a metaphor: Author's wife

Following a controversy over a paragraph from Class 8 Kannada second language textbook on VD Savarkar that had gone viral on social media the wife of the author has released a statement saying that the bulbul imagery is "a metaphor."

The lesson, "Kalavannu Geddavaru" is a travelogue written by author KT Gatti, narrating his experience about a visit to the Andaman cellular jail, where the Hindutva leader was imprisoned.

The author while describing about the prison cell in which Savarakar was lodged says, "there is not even a keyhole in Savarkar's cell, but still somehow bulbul birds used to come flying inside the cell and sitting on their wings Savarkar used to visit his motherland everyday and return."

Gatti's wife Yashoda Ammembala in a statement said, being "indisposed", her husband is not in a position to clarify, and that she cannot speak on his behalf, but can share some relevant details.

She said, "...regarding the controversy over the bulbul imagery, it is self-evident that it is nothing but a metaphor. Much of the confusion appears to have been caused by the absence of context/ reference in the passage, which may be due to author's oversight or an editorial error."

She said the family was not aware of the inclusion of Gatti's work in the textbook until this controversy broke out." **PTI**

# 'Nasal vaccine could be a game changer'

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After Bharat Biotech's emergency-use nasal spray vaccine was approved by the Central Drugs Standard Control Organisation (CDSCO) for immunisation against covid in people aged 18 and above, BM spoke to doctors to find out more. The vaccine, iNCOVACC, targets the mucous membrane that lines the nose, mouth, and lungs, and can help with blocking the transmission of the virus. It can prevent mild cases of illness.

Dr Manohar KN, consultant, Internal Medicine Physician, said, "The world seems to be moving towards century-old techniques of sniffing vaccines. Both China and India's nasal vaccines are designed to target the mucus membrane right where the virus lands - the Nasal Mucosa."

He explained that they are purported to stimulate the formation of local IgA antibodies that coat the mucus membrane, after which they entrap and neutralise the virus. This is how they can stop the virus from replicating at its entry and spreading. The vaccine has been developed in collaboration with the University of Washington, St Louis.

"As per Bharat Biotech, the vaccine stimulates a broad immune response – neutralising IgG, mucosal IgA, and T Cell responses. Two separate, simultaneous clinical trials were done to evaluate BBV154 as a primary 2-dose schedule and a heterologous booster dose for subjects who have received 2 doses of the covid vaccines (Covaxin and Covishield) in India," he said.

Dr Subrata Das, Sakra World Hospital, said that he cannot say if the vaccine will be helpful or not as of now. But, he said nasal vaccines are also used for influenza and have worked. "This could help as many people fear injections. With whatever trials that have been done so far, it shows no worse side effects in comparison to standard vaccines," he said.

Dr Srikanta JT, Aster CMI Hospital, said, "An intranasal vaccine is designed to stop both transmission of a virus and prevent even mild illness. Achieving this is a daunting task which requires robust studies which haven't happened yet, but hopefully will."

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Bakshi Garden wall collapse

# Hope still afloat and waiting

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— many officials are choosing not to perform their duties.

"A circular issued by the BBMP said officials should go to the spot and gather required documents for enabling the release of relief funds. However, this responsibility has been transferred to flood victims in many affected areas located in KR Market ward. The slum dwellers are clueless about how to go about the relief fund," said a representative of a not-for-profit organisation working with the slum dwellers of KR Market ward.

Social activists told BM that some of the areas in the KR Market ward are badly affected and the application process is being delayed due to the authorities' inaction.

"As many as 48 houses in Jolly Muhalla and 23 houses in Bakshi Garden slum are flooded. We have cases of wall collapse too. While BBMP officials are responsible to visit the spot and gather all the required documents, they have not done it so far. As per rules, applications need to be uploaded in the system within five days of the disaster. However, three days have already passed; we are still waiting for somebody to visit the spots and complete the process. When we reached out to the officials, they said they are currently occupied and will visit when the time permits," the representative told BM.

According to citizens who are affected by the unprecedented flooding, the Palike's requirement of GPS-tagged pictures of flooded homes is indeed a tricky criterion.

"We have given the list of the affected houses but they keep reiterating that GPS-tagged pictures are required. Many of the residents do not have cell phones to click pictures and geo-tag them. We are worried our applications will get rejected due to the delay and lack of required documents," said Kavitha, a resident of Jolly Muhalla slum.

The slum dwellers are now planning to reach out to senior officials of the BBMP's revenue department.

When BM reached out to the BBMP official in charge, he said: "We have been in touch with some community leaders in these areas. We are coordinating with them to take stock of the situation. However, we will visit these areas today and make sure applications are uploaded in the system within the stipulated time limit."

*(*name changed)*

# Shock and flaw in Indiranagar

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and remains of used wires abandoned on the ground triggering fear of one of these being a live wire.

When BM crew visited the spot, this reporter observed the bottom of the said pole littered with debris, tangled remains of wires, and a portion of a wire covered in red tape which residents doubted was indeed a live wire. At present, the residents do not even dare to go near a structure that is supposed to facilitate more space for pedestrians.

"The pole was changed roughly two months ago and the live wire was kept open. If someone comes into contact with the live wire, it could be fatal. We have approached the authorities on multiple occasions but they are yet to respond. Initially, we were told that the issue will be fixed within 15 days," resident Pradeep Kamath told BM.

Residents fed up with 'the apathy of BESCOM' also stated that they are even willing to pool in money and get the issue fixed, but are not given permission.

"It was a long pending work; around 45 days ago, the transformer was changed. But the poor quality of work has left us in fear. There is construction work happening adjacent to the transformer. There are always children in the vicinity. Hundreds of vehicles are parked in this area. It's a threat to them," another resident, Kiran Alva, said.

Residents further highlighted that action is required in this regard on an urgent basis as lives are at stake.

Meanwhile, BESCOM officials BM spoke to said they will look into the issue. "I will inspect the area and resolve the issue at the earliest," said Shankarappa, BESCOM assistant executive engineer.

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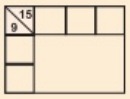


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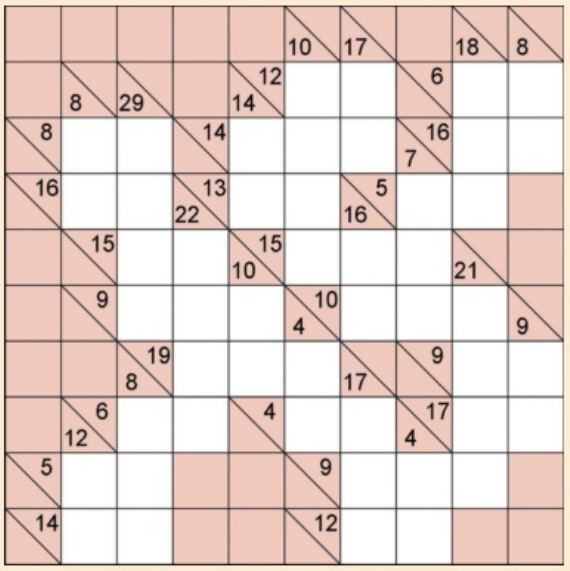

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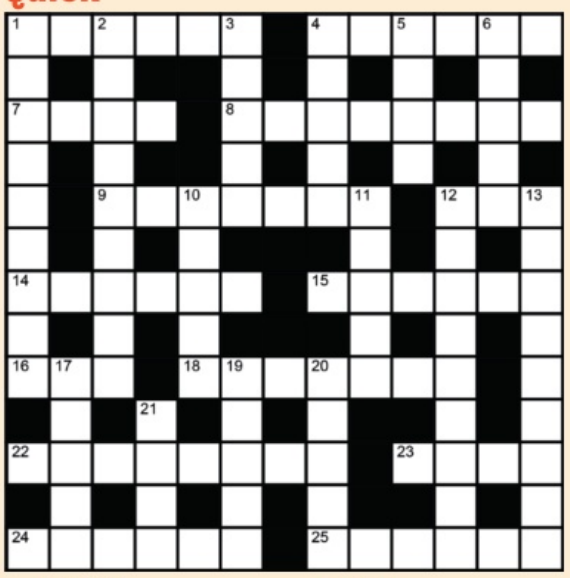

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12 Quantity of heat in FPS units (3)
14 Chaperone (6)
15 Keen for action, combat (4-2)
16 Actor Gibson (3)
18 Enhance (7)
22 Ascribe or assign (8)
23 Cry of woe (4)
24 Dive (6)
25 Go beyond, overshoot (6)

**DOWN**

1 Crush with irresistible force (9)
2 It goes non-stop from Bandra to Andheri? (4,5)
3 Scour (5)
4 Russian prison camp (5)
5 Leak through (4)
6 Accomplished (5)
10 Insect young (5)
11 Dwelling (5)
12 A mere trifle (9)
13 Unanimously (9)
17 Do better than (5)
19 Excessive (5)
20 Bishop's official cap? (5)
21 An or anagram for a port in West Algeria (4)

## Quoteuncode

This puzzle is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that Q equals C, it will equal C throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

**Today's CLUE: C EQUALS G**

GMBETKBEMA EL BRX KFB MI CXBBEAC WXMWJX BM SM VRKB NMP VKAB BRXG BM SM ZXUKPLX BRXN VKAB BM SM EB.

## Linemaro

Your posture is perfect. Do you work out?

## Mindchow

Why does Goofy stand erect while Pluto remains on all fours when they're both dogs?

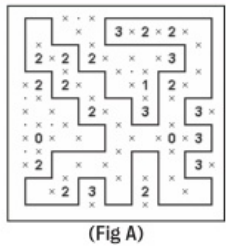
## Joke of the day

A neat desk is a sign of a cluttered desk drawer

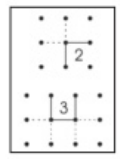
## Loop

### Rules

» Connect adjacent dots with vertical or horizontal lines, creating a single loop (Fig A). » Crossovers or branches are not allowed (As shown by dotted lines in Fig B). » Numbers in the puzzle indicate the number of lines that should surround it, while empty cells may be surrounded by any number of lines. » You can't draw lines around zeros. » Each puzzle has just one unique solution.



(Fig A)

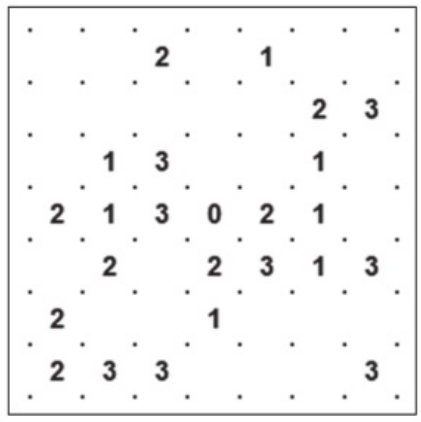


(Fig B) Not Allowed

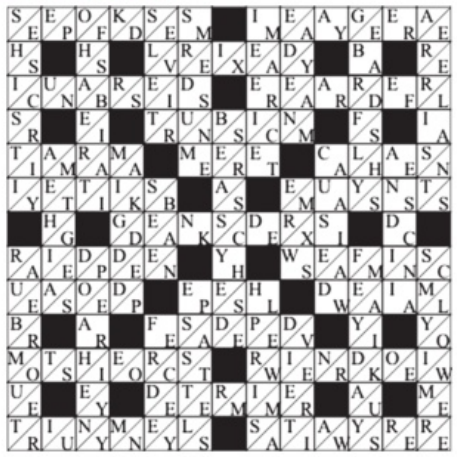
### How to begin:

Example (Fig A) – Begin with the zero next to 3. Since no lines can be drawn around zero, mark crosses around it, as shown. Now there is a cross in one space around 3. So we know the three lines of 3 can only be drawn in the remaining three spaces. Next, these lines can only be extended in one direction each. Continue, using the same logic.

Hints: Keep eliminating possibilities by marking crosses in spaces between dots where a line isn't possible, i.e., if you have already completed required lines or where a line extension may create a branch or cause a dead-end (Fig B)



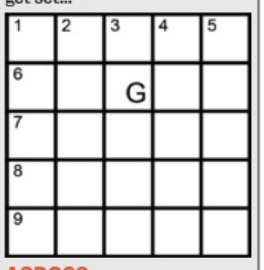
## Strikeout



This crossword has no clues and the answer is there waiting for you. All you have to do is find it in each square. You have a choice of two letters, one of which you must strike out. If you choose correctly, you will be left with a grid that contains real words.

## Fast five

How long do you think it will take you to unscramble the ten words shown below and fit them correctly into the grid in the order given one letter has already been entered to get you started? on your marks, get set...




**ACROSS**

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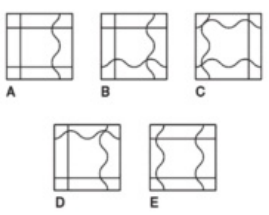
7 Ailed; 8 In sec;
9 H most

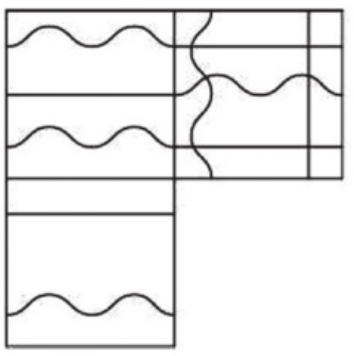
**DOWN**

1 Dimes; 2 Road I;
3 Tange; 4 Cab he;
5 Laser

## Mensapuzzle

Which is the missing tile?



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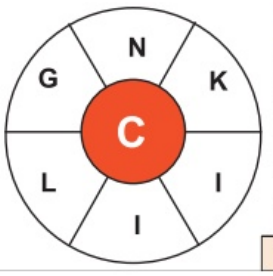


How many words of four or more letters can you make from the letters shown? Every word must contain the central letter. There should be one seven-letter word. British English Dictionary is used as a reference.

**04** Average; **05** Good; **06** Outstanding

## SudokuChallenge

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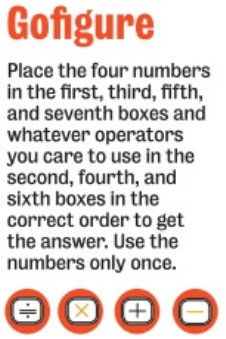
| | 4 | | 3 | | 9 | | 7 | |
| 2 | | 8 | 9 | | 7 | 6 | | 3 |
| | | 6 | 2 | | 3 | 5 | | |
| 5 | | | | | | | | 7 |

To solve a Sudoku puzzle, every digit from one to nine must appear in each of the nine vertical columns, in each of the nine horizontal rows and in each of the nine boxes.

## Gofigure

Place the four numbers in the first, third, fifth, and seventh boxes and whatever operators you care to use in the second, fourth, and sixth boxes in the correct order to get the answer. Use the numbers only once.



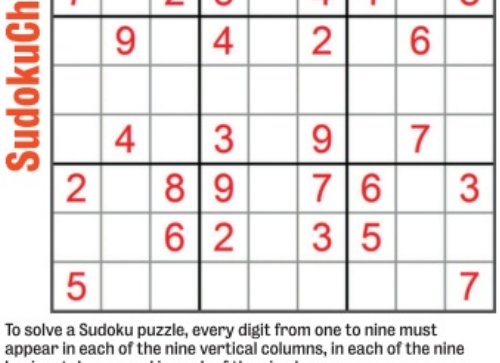
**Easy** = 17
3 4 5 5

**Medium** = 42
1 3 7 8

**Hard** = 3
3 5 6 3

## Hocusfocus

Find at least six differences in details between panels.



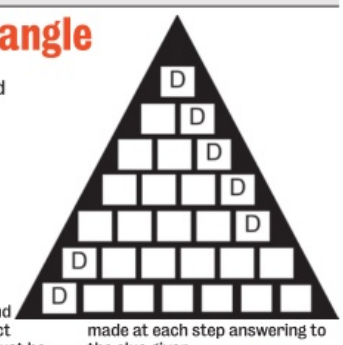
**Differences:** 1. Arm is moved. 2. Card is larger. 3. Man has more hair. 4. House is wider. 5. Briefcase is missing. 6. Doorway is not as wide.

## Riddler

What connects Thalia, Calliope and Melpomene?

## Alpha triangle

1 Fourth letter
2 Short for Edward
3 Warning colour
4 Pore over
5 Gathered leaves
6 Daddy ducks
7 Blackest

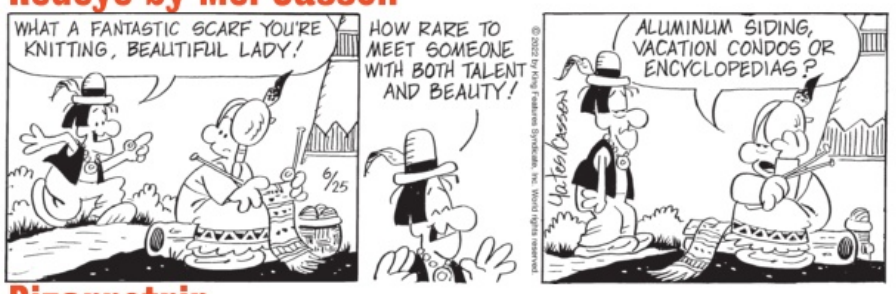



Beginning at the top move towards the bottom seven-letter word by adding a letter at each step and rearranging. A correct and different word must be made at each step answering to the clue given.

DIFFICULT TO SOLVE? FIND THESE SOLUTIONS ON THE NEXT PAGE

# COMICS

## Redeye by Mel Casson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HOW RARE TO MEET SOMEONE WITH BOTH TALENT AND BEAUTY!
ALUMINUM SIDING, VACATION CONDOS OR ENCYCLOPEDIAS?
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Yates Casson

## Bizarrotrip

Wayne & 3 Pirates 7-6-22
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If you remain frozen all year, your real expenses would go to zero, with nobody any the wiser.
AMPHIBIAN TAX EVASION

## Diamond Lil

I WENT TO A SENIORS SQUINT CLASS TODAY
SENIORS SQUINT CLASS? WHAT'S THAT LIKE?
WE ALL GO TO A GROCERY STORE AND TRY TO READ NUTRITIONAL LABELS
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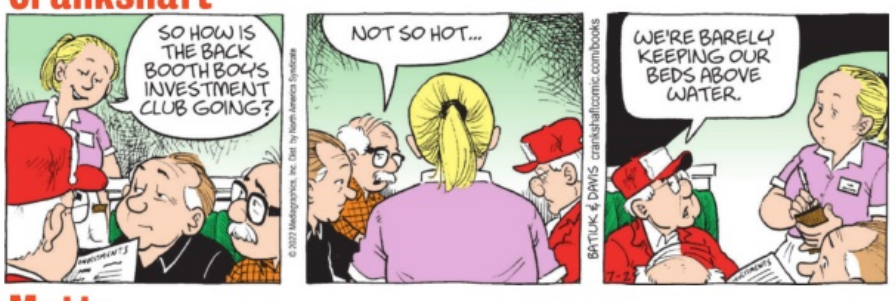
Bartlett

## Hart of the city

## Crankshaft


SO HOW IS THE BACK BOOTH BOYS INVESTMENT CLUB GOING?
NOT SO HOT...
WE'RE BARELY KEEPING OUR BEDS ABOVE WATER.
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## Mutts

# WHAT YOUR STARS SAY TODAY

**Aries** Mar 21 – Apr 20
Today you may be busy on the work front, which can make you tired. You may not be able to reach on time for a family get-together. You may be able to create an overseas network. You should be careful in terms of investments. Promotions may be on the cards.

**Taurus** Apr 21 – May 20
Today, messy situations are under control. Your destiny is likely to be with you in terms of gains in business. You may get some rewards for your hard work. It may be a good time to reinitiate your postponed projects. You may expect spiritual travel. You may also plan to donate to charity.

**Gemini** May 21 – Jun 21
Today your moon is not in a good position and you may have health issues. You may face losses in business or in investments. it is advised not to invest in business. Your gains may convert to losses. You should avoid being involved in controversies, otherwise it will pull you down negatively. Your partner will support you.

**Cancer** Jun 22 – July 23
You are blessed by the moon today and may expect to hear some good news in terms of your profession. Your domestic life may be in full swings of joy. You are advised to avoid arguments on worthless topics. Over excitement may test your patience. You can make important decisions regarding real estate.

**Leo** Jul 24 – Aug 23
Today you may be blessed by the moon. Love would be in the air in terms of your personal life. Singles may find a suitable match. You may do better in terms of your professional life. Your friends and juniors may support you. Investments in gems and jewellery are likely to bring positive gains in future.

**Virgo** Aug 24 – Sep 23
You may be happy. You may have some sort of energy which may increase your prestige among people around you. You may spend your time studying intellectual subjects. You may also plan for higher studies to groom your career. Students may hear good news about competitive examinations.

**Libra** Sep 24 – Oct 22
Today, at the start of the day, you may be dull, but after late evening, you may control the negativity. New people may connect with you on the work front. With the help of this new network, you may try to revamp your business plans. It is advised to read documents before putting your signature on them.

**Scorpio** Oct 23 – Nov 22
Today, with the help of elders, you may control your indecisiveness. Children's health will be better now. Your colleagues may be supportive of your work, which will see success. You may expect to get some incentives with your salary. Those related to dairy, water projects, grains, home maker art and culture may do well.

**Sagittarius** Nov 23 – Dec 22
Today you may be busy with family gatherings and social events. You may become polite with the people around you, which may increase your prestige among them. You may spend money on buying some artefacts or household items which may improve your social status. You may likely hear some good news from a relative.

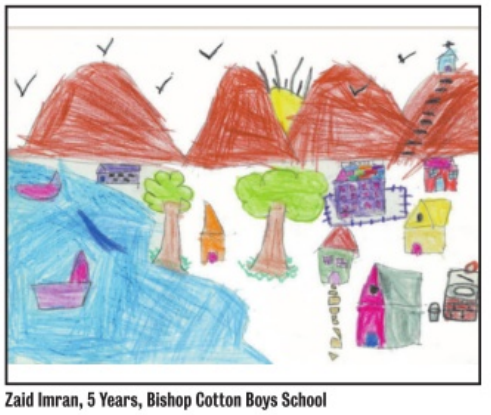
**Capricorn** Dec 23 – Jan 20
Today you may be happy and blessed by the moon. You may feel healthy, which may reflect into your way of working. You may perform well in all areas of life, which may improve your prestige. Your concentration may be very good today and you can make some difficult decisions in your business.

**Aquarius** Jan 21 – Feb 19
Today your vital power may slow down and old diseases may resurface, which can make you upset. You are advised to avoid adventure tours or rash driving. You are advised to avoid any type of ligations. You may settle it out of the jury. Try to avoid making arguments on worthless topics. You may also plan an overseas tour.

**Pisces** Feb 20 – Mar 20
Today you may start your day with happiness. At work, you can make quick decisions, which may increase your management skills and bring benefits in the near future. You may expect some new source of income, which may boost your savings. With the help of your business partner, you may invest some capital. Your bonding with your spouse will improve.

## KIDZONE

Prachilnarayana, 6 Years, Sudarshan Vidya Mandir



Zaid Imran, 5 Years, Bishop Cotton Boys School

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## SOLUTIONS

**SOLVE IN 1M**
24–5+4×1
24–5+4
19+4
23

**BULL'S EYE**
click, clink, icing, nick

**STRIKE OUT**

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**RIDDLER**
They are three of the nine Greek muses.

**QUICK**

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**STRIKE OUT**

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**BULL'S EYE**
click, CLICKING, nick

**SOLVE IN 1M**
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**FAST FIVE**

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**QUOTE UNCODE**
Motivation is the art of getting people to do what you want them to do because they want to do it.

**MENSA PUZZLE**
D: all lines are continued. However, wavy lines become straight and vice versa.

**SUDOKU**

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| 8 | 9 | 7 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 6 | 5 |
| 5 | 3 | 9 | 6 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 8 | 7 |

**ALPHA TRIANGLE**
D, Ed, Red, Read, Raked, Drakes, Darkest.

**GO FIGURE**
Easy
3 + 5 + 4 + 5 = 17
Medium
8 – 3 + 1 × 7 = 42
Hard
3 x 5 + 3 / 6 = 3

**LOOP**

**KAKURO**

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**Zach's grim 'Baywatch body' experience**
Hollywood actor Zac Efron revealed that his 'Baywatch' body was not sustainable, and he suffered from 'bad depression' while training for the movie

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# Friendship goals

## Actor opens up about her relationship with Anushka, Alia

Bollywood actress Katrina Kaif recently made an appearance at Koffee With Karan. During the rapid fire round, the actress opened up on her equation with Anushka Sharma and Alia Bhatt.

During the Rapid Fire round, the host of the show Karan Johar asked, "The female actor you think you connect more with - Alia or Anushka?" Katrina said, "For a fun evening, hanging out for a coffee chat or something on many levels - Alia. But if I want to talk to someone about some other side, like a little bit more serious things, meditation, spirituality, then I would say Anushka."

Karan Johar then added, "Anushka and Virat are also your neighbours," Katrina said, "Yes, they live in the same building." He then asked her, "Are you having a fun time with your neigbours," She said, "Yes." "Good neigbhours to have," said Karan Johar.

When Vicky and Katrina got married, Anushka Sharma wished them and also revealed that they are both going to be neighbours to the newly married couple. Her greeting card message on Instagram read, "Congratulations to both of you beautiful people! Wishing you guys a lifetime of togetherness, love and understanding. Also glad you are finally married so that now you can move into your house soon and we can stop hearing construction sounds."

On the work front, Katrina has worked with Anushka in Zero and Jab Tak Hai Jaan. She will be working with Alia Bhatt for the first time in Jee Le Zaraa, which will also star Priyanka Chopra. **ETimes**

# Ali-Richa wedding deets

Putting the speculations to rest, it can now be confirmed that Ali Fazal and Richa Chadha will get married in Mumbai in the first week of October in a two-day ceremony — an intimate wedding followed by a grand reception. Both functions will happen at a south Mumbai hotel. While the wedding will be a close-knit affair with just the couple's immediate family and close friends in attendance, the reception will have their friends from the film industry joining in the celebrations.

The pre-wedding festivities will begin at a venue near Delhi at the end of September and continue for three days. There will be a three-day gap between the Delhi and Mumbai events so that the family can take a breather. Interestingly, the couple has chosen a royal heritage fort property near the Delhi-Jaipur highway, a three-hour drive from the capital, for their pre-wedding events. The heritage palace will host the couple, their families and extended families from Delhi, Lucknow and the ones settled abroad. Ali's grandmother will fly down from Canada to attend the ceremonies. The celebration will include sangeet and mehendi as well as a cocktail party. **ETimes**

# Rani off for a musical

Ace producer, film-maker Aditya Chopra clearly doesn't seem to limit himself as he is set to make his Broadway debut with 'Come Fall In Love' in San Diego. The musical has kick-started at The Old Globe Theatre in San Diego and got some great feedback including standing ovations.

Little wonder then, then Rani Mukerji has headed to San Diego to witness husband Aditya's Broadway debut live. Chopra's thought behind this initiative was the need for cultural unification, especially in the world we are living in today which is getting toxic. In an earlier statement, Chopra had confessed that he wanted to make 'Dilwale Dulhaniya Le Jaayenge' originally as a Hollywood love story in order to make the global audience aware of our Indian culture. But today, he reimagined the story as a Broadway musical.

This time his characters are Roger and Simran, played by Austin Colby and Shoba Narayan respectively. Interestingly, Narayan had played Princess Jasmine in Disney's Aladdin before this. It's a musical hence, song and dance would play an essential part of it and Vishal-Sheykhar are composing for it. Shruti Merchant is choreographing this musical. Interestingly, the musical has 18 songs. **ETimes**

SANDALWOOD SHOTS
Y MAHESWARA REDDY

## A new producer

Meet non-resident Indian Adarsh Iyengar, a well-known independent musician, who is now gearing up to bankroll movies in Kannada. Iyengar organised four events on Tuesday to announce his plan to become a producer in Sandalwood. He also announced the launch of the banner Sri Krishna Productions, released a song video – Hope, released a book – Kaadina Nentaru – authored by Rakshith Thirthahalli and also announced a plan to make a Thimmana Mottegalu.

"Earlier I have worked with Rakshith Thirthahalli and Hemanth Jois and made some song videos. The song – Hope – is about problems of people affected with psoriasis and for the need to treat people affected by psoriasis without any discrimination," said Iyengar. He said Sri Krishna Productions aims to make socially conscious movies.

On the occasion, Theerthahalli said he directed Hombanna in 2016 which has a plot about encroachment of forest land. "My second film Yentha Kathe Maaraaya is about attempts being made to bring Sharavathi River water to Bengaluru. My third movie Thimmana Mottegalu is based on a short story from my book Kaadina Nentaru. It will reflect the lifestyle of people living in Western Ghats," he said.

## Darling Krishna is a 'lucky man'

Darling Krishna is as anxious as a student who has taken an important test and is waiting for results. The reason: His most favourite movie Lucky Man is scheduled for release on Friday across the state. The other reason is that he has shared screen space with Power Star Puneeth Rajkumar.

"I consider myself a lucky man. I was craving for an opportunity to act as a second hero in a Puneeth Rajkumar-starred movie. I was not aware that Puneeth Rajkumar is acting in Lucky Man. My joy knew no bounds when I came to know that he had given consent to act in this movie," said Darling Krishna.

He said he never felt nervous while sharing the screen space with the star. "I have known Puneeth Rajkumar for more than a decade. I worked as an assistant director for his movies – Jackie and Hudugaru – apart from playing small character roles. I will never forget his gregariousness and encouragement while acting in Lucky Man," he said.

He said he could not resist when director Nagendra Prasad approached him seeking his call-sheet. "Its story is very interesting. I have also watched its Tamil version – Oh My Kadavule," he said.